

Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

Ever since our particular school district began using an IBM machine to send out report cards to those of our kids on the high school level, I have been expecting one of them to complain:

"Mom, the computer must have made a mistake. The teacher told me I was getting at least a grade point higher."

And sure enough, we have Patrice — known by the machine as No. 435-Grade 10 — demanding a recount on her Spanish I grade.

I could think of only one solution for her. Instead of bringing an apple to school tomorrow, she ought to start presenting the computer with a can of Three-in-One oil.

But if I know my kids, it won't be long before computers will be out which they'll not only blame for making a mistake, but also describe as being grossly unfair." For I understand that machines are already being used by some school districts which do the actual grading from accumulated facts on daily work, home work assignments and finals.

"Believe me, Mom," I can hear mine say, "this English computer is one of the lowest graders on the market."

Not to omit the model which didn't use all the more recent information fed into it. Such as the "A" in a test your child just received. Tell me, why is it that kids always seem to receive "A's" on tests which are not included in the current report card grading?

As a parent, I'm not too sure that I like the computer-age report cards either, particularly since I've never been too good at deciphering codes. I never know whether my kids are flunking or being recommended for Phi Beta Kappa.

I prefer the old-fashioned report cards, even those with a handwritten note from the teacher about your child's deficiencies, under the heading, "Remarks." At least, it was more personal than a cold number written after your child's grade, not unlike those employed at police headquarters to describe different crimes.

Moreover, if I wanted to write a chatty "remark" back to the teacher I could do so. But who wants to communicate with a computer?

I feel the most sorry, however, for the kids. What with "teaching machines," "televised classrooms" and computers replacing teachers, what will they be able to discuss at class reunions?

"Remember Good Old 'X-211' and the trouble we used to give it? Remember the day it almost slipped its circuits. I wonder what ever happened to 'Good Old X-211'?"

"I heard he left the teaching profession. The pay wasn't good enough."



EXTENDING COURT HOSPITALITY
Mrs. Louie Derouin, grand regent of Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, seated, serves new members, from left, Mmes. Michael Shanahan, Joseph Walker, Peter Donatoni, Arthur Casella and Miss Madonna Walker, following formal initiation ceremonies held at the Nativity parish hall. State

and district CDA officers attended the event as well as a large number of Grand Regents from neighboring courts. Mrs. Derouin was assisted by Mrs. Jerry Lewis, district deputy, in initiating the new members.

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Court St. Catherine CDA

Initiates in Formal Rites

Nine new members were welcomed into Court St. Catherine 1378, Catholic Daughters of America, on Thursday evening, Jan. 19 in formal ceremonies at Nativity Parish Hall. Mrs. Louie Derouin, grand regent, presided assisted by Mrs. Jerry M. Lewis, district deputy. The officers of the court, in long white formals, added a note of beauty and dignity as they presented the aims and purposes of the Catholic Daughters of America.

Distinguished guests included Past State Regent, Mrs. Delor Bombardier; State Chairman of World Missions, Mrs. Wesley Muzik; Area Chairmen Mrs. Gust Sundquist, juniors; Mrs. Robert Klaesges, public relations, and Mrs. Charles Butterfield, extension; and District Deputy Miss Jane Killeoyne of Court St. Michael.

Grand Regents present were Mmes. Frank Ives, Our Lady of Victory, Redondo Beach; Rene Berger of Court St. Ann, Long Beach; Leon Belaustegui, Court St. James, Los Angeles; George Taylor, Court Joan of Arc, Inglewood; and Mary Marriott, Court Madonna of the Hills, Rolling Hills. Representing Court Our Lady of Providence was Mrs. Dorothy Owens, proph-

etess, of Hawthorne and Mrs. Patricia Haines, Court Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Hawthorne.

Other members of Court St. Catherine, who participated in the ceremony were Mmes. Laura Kuhn, Robert Crain, Paul Labonawski, Elles Cook, George Rausch, Paul DeCuir, Harry Hamilton, David Biloki, Gordon Hicks, Robert Hammerle, Lloyd Landerville, Laurence Derouin, and J. W. Crew. Mrs. Pauline Capello of Court Our Lady of Victory assisted.

'Be Kind to Husbands' Theme Kappa Delta Alumnae Dinner-Dance Feb. 4

The organization, founded in the South Bay in 1955, has just concluded its latest philanthropic project in conjunction with the muscular dystrophy drive. MD canisters were placed by members throughout the area, and the proceeds were added to those of the club's recent rummage sale.

The event, the highlight of the group's winter season, will be held at the Airport Marina Hotel in Westchester on Saturday, Feb. 4.

The theme will be carried through the ballroom and in table decorations, and each husband will be presented with a red carnation to wear during the evening.

The event will begin with cocktails at 7 p.m., and be followed by dinner, dancing, and entertainment. Door prizes will be awarded as well.

Upcoming plans include the Kappa Delta state convention in Pasadena in June, and a February business meeting at California Home Furnishings in Palos Verdes Peninsula Center.

Arrangements for the dinner dance are being handled by Mrs. J. Roger Gardemann of Palos Verdes, chairman of the event, and the Mmes. Richard Odgers, James Bell and Jack Harpster of Torrance.

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Club Hostess

Mrs. Jack Brooks entertained her club at a luncheon and afternoon of bridge last Friday at her home, 3246 Eldorado Ave.

At the conclusion of the games, high score was held by Mrs. R. J. Triplitt, second by Mrs. Walter Levy and third by Mrs. Parke Montague.

Club members present were Mmes. J. H. Backlund, Kenneth Blakley, W. E. Grubb, Philip Halloran, Gerald Eastham, Triplitt, Levy and Montague.

Bridge Party

Mrs. Grover Whyte entertained her bridge club last Thursday evening at her home, 1620 Post Ave.

A dessert was served followed by an evening of bridge. At the final count, high score was held by Mrs. Alma Smith.

Mrs. Whyte's guests were Mmes. R. R. Smith, J. B. Scotton, R. S. Sleeth, Robert Lewellen, Alma Smith, club members; and Mrs. S. J. Dunhouse, a guest.

Mrs. Lewellen will be the club's next hostess.

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